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SUBJ: UN COMMITTEE ON HOST COUNTRY RELATIONS-DIPLOMATIC
PARKING FACILITIES

REFS: (A) USUN 3067 (B) MOSCOW 10354

1. AS DEPT WILL RECALL WHEN HOST COUNTRY RELATIONS
COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY 26TH UNGA WE WERE WELL AWARE THAT
IT PRIMARILY VIEWED AS POLITICAL CUM PROPAGANDA ORGAN BY
SOVIETS AND SOME OTHERS WITH US AS TARGET.

2. REFTTEL (A) REPORTS THAT, ON SOVIET INITIATIVE, FOR
FIRST TIME, COMMITTEE HAS HAD CLOSED MEETING WHEREAS ALL
PREVIOUS MEETINGS AT WHICH HOST COUNTRY ATTACKED WITH
VARYING DEGREES OF INTENSITY WERE OPEN. PRIMARY CAUSE
WAS PRESENCE OF MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ATTRACTED BY PROSPECT
OF DISCUSSIONS OF MORE STRINGENT ENFORCEMENT PARKING REGULA-
TIONS, APPLIED TO ALL VEHICLES, INCLUDING TICKETING ALL
DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR VIOLATORS AND OCCASIONAL TOWING OF
ILLEGALLY PARKED DIPLOMATIC CARS TO LEGAL PARKING SPACE.
SPATE OF TICKETS HAS BEEN ONE OF PRIME TOPICS OF
CONVERSATION AMONG DIPLOMATS WHO IN DOING SO HELPED
STIMULATE PRESS INTEREST THEY HOPE TO AVOID.

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3. IN OPPOSING CLOSED MEETING AMB. SCHAUFELLE MADE
REFERENCE TO FACT SOME DELEGATES SEEMED TO DESIRE CLOSED

MEETING WHICH MIGHT RESULT IN SOME CRITICISM OF OTHER MISSIONS OR OTHER MISSION PERSONNEL EVEN IF NO NAMES USED. BUT NO ONE HAS EVER SUGGESTED THAT THEY BE CLOSED IF TARGET IS HOST COUNTRY. ADDED THAT US, IN KEEPING WITH USUAL UN PRACTICE, HAD NO INTENTION ASKING FOR ANY CLOSED MEETINGS OF COMMITTEE AND NOTED THAT COMMITTEE ACTION IN CLOSING MEETING MORE LIKELY TO EXCITE PRESS INTEREST RATHER THAN PREVENT UNWELCOME NEWS COVERAGE.

4. DURING DEBATE SOVIETS REFERRED, AS THEY HAVE IN PAST, TO RECENT VANDALISM TO SOVIET CARS APPARENTLY LINKED TO BREZHNEV VISIT AND CONNIVANCE OF US AUTHORITIES IN FAILING TO ARREST, TRY OR CONVINCE PERPETRATORS. WE RECALL THAT, APPARENTLY ON THE BASIS OF RECIPROCITY, CARS OF US DIPLOMATS IN MOSCOW HAVE SUFFERED SAME FATE WITH SAME RESULTS REGARDING POLICE ACTION.

5. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NO DESIRE TO GET INTO STERILE EXCHANGE WITH SOVIETS ON THIS SUBJECT THEIR CHARGES ARE HARMFUL TO US BOTH IN AND OUT OF COMMITTEE. WE SEE CONSIDERABLE MERIT, SHOULD THEY RAISE QUESTION AGAIN, IF WE COULD SIMPLY CITE DATE, KIND OF INCIDENT AND FACT THAT SOVIET GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN UNABLE TO APPREHEND AND PUNISH CULPRITS.

6. IN ADDITION REGARDING REFTEL (B) WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF RESERVED PARKING ON STREET IS NECESSARY FOR ANY DIPLOMATIC MISSION, WHETHER IT HAS EVER BEEN REQUESTED AND RESPONSE OF SOVIET GOVERNMENT. SOVIETS ARE PUSHING HARD FOR MORE RESERVED PARKING FOR THEIR MISSION HERE EVEN THOUGH THEY ALREADY HAVE FIVE SPACES.
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